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SUBJECT: OSA History Project

1. Since early in 1967, a concerted effort has been made within the Agency to write histories of the activities of offices within the several Directorates. The task of writing the OSA history is difficult due especially to the number of years the organization has existed, the magnitude of its major projects, and the varied nature of lesser enterprises it has engaged in from time to time throughout the years.

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] was engaged to write the history, and she began her efforts in late 1966. She was able to devote full time to the task until December 1967 when it became a part-time task, due to her having been assigned as Mr. Parangosky's secretary.

3. Recently, the DD/S&T stated his desire that the history be completed by 1 June 1968. [REDACTED] has been assigned, 25X1A as of 8 April, to aid in its completion. At this point, essentially the OXCART Project remains to be written.

4. Meeting the deadline with a history worthy of OSA standards will be difficult. Accordingly, the cooperation of all OSA elements is requested. It is desired that:

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a. Files of historical interest be identified and made available to [REDACTED] Of particular importance are papers relating to OXCART Project policies, decisions, rationale in determining courses of action, problems and solutions, accomplishments, chronology of events, etc.

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b. Brief historical outlines are to be prepared by each Division on its participation and accomplishments (and that of predecessor organizations if reorganizations occurred during the period under discussion) in the development, test, training, and operational phases of Project OXCART.

5. It is desired that the contents of this memorandum be disseminated to all Division chiefs as quickly as possible. Help is needed to insure that all important aspects of the OXCART story are included in the OSA history.

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